

GEN. WOOD LIKES COLLEGE CAMPS

Says They Are Helping Develop Volunteer Officers For the Army.

New York, Dec. 16.—In order to bring the United States army up to 500,000, a force of 12,000 officers would be necessary, and there is no better way to secure and train these officers than through college camps like those held last summer at Monterey, Cal., and Gettysburg, Pa. This was stated Tuesday by Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood to the Merchants' association of New York.

"This year we probably shall have 2000 boys in four of these camps," he said. "The boys made a better record last year—and this shows what you can do with intelligent men in a short time—thus was made by the best company of the Fifth regular infantry over the same ranges. At the end of the five weeks' training period a board of our own officers examined these youngsters, and recommended 125 of them as fit for volunteer officers in the lower grades."

"Now this is the kind of system which I think can be applied in this country. I hope that eventually it will grow into a general movement, embracing, say, a six weeks' course, broken into periods of two months each, to be taken during the economic and educational vacation, so as to interfere as little as possible with the work of the young men who are in business and the educational work of the boys who are in college. I think if we can do that there will be developed a large number of trained youngsters as officers of volunteers and a still larger number as trained men to form the nucleus of volunteer companies in case we are so unfortunate as to become involved in war."

"Some such method as that must be adopted, for when the war comes it will come suddenly."

U. S. Should Control Militia.

The militia and the reserve, in Gen. Wood's opinion, should be controlled by the federal government rather than by the states. "The states will probably say that the militia at peace strength is strong enough for peace," he said. "If we were to have a war, that would be something for the federal government to provide for—to take care of the great volunteer army on which we must ultimately rely."

"Business men must make the militia," he continued, "and not, as in the past, be prejudiced against those who devote two or three weeks a year to militia work."

Army Not Anxious for War.

The regular army is far from anxious for war, said the speaker. "Men dealing in high explosives are not those who like to be blown up by experimental bombs," he added, "and soldiers, who are the first ones to go to war, are about the most conservative men with reference to starting war. I often think that if we had in this country what they have in other countries—a compulsory training of all men—there would be much less idle talk of war. If all the men of a certain age knew that they were the men to go to war, they would be about as conservative an element as you would find in the population."

DEAD MAN'S SUIT AGAINST DR. COLLINS SET FOR TRIAL

The suit of a man who, according to Dr. Collins, in the special district court of El Paso Tuesday, according to the docket. The suit is that of Frank Collins, of Midland, against Dr. Ira Collins, of El Paso, for \$15,000. According to Dr. Collins, the man has been dead a year. Court officials have no information of the man's death, and the case will be called on Thursday.

McClenny, who because of alleged personal injuries McClenny claims to have received while being treated by Dr. Collins in El Paso.

McClenny alleged in his petition that he had hip trouble, which had developed from a fall from a train at Midland, Tex., several years ago. He alleged that he came to El Paso and applied for treatment from Dr. Collins in May, 1912. As he became worse, he claimed, his hip became sore and he was forced to walk with a cane. He alleged that he later incurred heavy expense for treatment from other physicians.

When Dr. Collins was asked about the case, he said that he had been dead for a year and I have no knowledge of the case coming to trial this week.

LOCAL CATTLEMAN IMPORT 1500 HEAD ON TUESDAY

About 1500 head of cattle were imported Tuesday afternoon at the port of El Paso. The consignments were made by J. C. Hayes, 915 head from the Hackett ranch, which were driven overland to Pearson and then shipped; 242 head by Kraft & Madero, from below Chihuahua, and 291 head by George M. Holmes. All of the cattle were in good condition.

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ENGLISHMANS HELD AS A SPY

Vice Consul Myles Is Ordered to Make Protest to Gen. Villa.

H. Percy Meeker, a British subject, is held prisoner at Navajon, Sinaloa, charged with being a Carranza spy. H. C. Myles, British vice consul here, has been requested by the British ambassador at Washington, to make representations to Gen. Francisco Villa looking to the release of the Englishman. Mr. Myles will immediately communicate with Gen. Villa.

According to unofficial reports received here, Meeker, who is the manager of a garbanzo farm belonging to Ignatius Gross & Co. of New York, located near Navajon, was arrested and placed in jail December 8. Some days previous he had received a letter from a farmer, with whom he was well acquainted, asking him to look over some land. The two left in Meeker's automobile and were met a short distance from the town by three other friends of Meeker, all Mexicans. After going a short distance the four men drew revolvers, told him that they were Carranza partisans making an escape and insisted that he take them to the town of Cuernavaca, Sinaloa. This Meeker was forced to do.

Upon returning to Navajon Meeker found Villa in charge. He was immediately arrested and placed in jail on the belief that he was actively assisting Carrancistas. Consul Simplich, at Nogales, has been notified of the arrest.

MAYTORENA DECIDES HE WILL STOP FIRING NOW

Naco, Ariz., Dec. 15.—Having at last received his orders from Gen. Guiterres, governor Maytorena, commanding Villa forces fighting across the line, announced late Tuesday night he would cease firing entirely, but would maintain his positions. The hill forces in Naco, Sonora, continued firing.

Smallpox has broken out here and the civilian population is being vaccinated. The soldiers will be vaccinated as soon as supplies arrive.

CARRANZA NAMES HERRERA GOVERNOR OF CHIHUAHUA

Washington, D. C., Dec. 15.—Gen. Manolito Herrera, operating around Parral, has been named by Carranza as governor and military commander of the state of Chihuahua, according to a message Tuesday from Veracruz to the Carranza agency here. The message also stated that Luis Cabrera has been appointed Carranza's secretary of the treasury, thus completing the cabinet.

TOLTEC MANAGER IS FOUND DEAD

Richard Dowling, manager of the Toltec club, died in his room at the club some time between 4 and 5 o'clock Monday morning. His death is believed to have been caused by heart trouble.

At 4 o'clock Wednesday morning Mr. Dowling came down to the office. He said then that he was unable to sleep and that he was not feeling well. A short time later he returned to his room. J. T. Edwards, the night porter, went up to call Mr. Dowling at 8 o'clock as in his custom. Receiving no response to his repeated knocking he entered Mr. Dowling's room. After calling several times he attempted to awaken the man by shaking him. It was then he discovered that Mr. Dowling was dead. Edwards immediately reported the death to the police.

"Dick" Dowling formerly managed the Midway Country club, which is just outside of Los Angeles, Calif. He came here to manage the club last May. The directors have been unable to obtain any information regarding Mr. Dowling's relatives. They have telegraphed to Los Angeles and expect to have information soon.

LAGUNA COTTON CROP READY FOR SHIPMENT TO EL PASO

Planters of the Laguna district, of Coahuila, are making arrangements for the movement of the border of the Torreon cotton crop. According to reports from Torreon, the crop this year, though smaller than last year, is in fine condition. Throughout the season the climatic conditions were excellent and had the growers been able to secure pickers, the crop would have been larger than last year.

Whether action will be taken to prevent the entry of any of the cotton into this country, as was done with a part of last year's crop, is not known. Much of the cotton land is owned by Spaniards, who have been expelled. The first shipments from the Laguna district are expected to arrive here about the first of the year. The initial shipment will amount to six carloads.

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CARRANZAS ARE N/A TOP

Surrounded by Maytorena Band in Sonora; Camps in Sonora Short of Food.

Douglas, Ariz., Dec. 16.—Ex-federalists in Maytorena's Sonora army cut off Carranza's retreat to Agua Prieta from Frontera, after Carranza's army there. Carranza is reported wounded.

Five autos were sent from Agua Prieta to carry reinforcements to Carranza but they were not sent and are said to be out of gasoline.

Carranza is still fighting desperately, 15 miles south of here, to prevent capture by the ex-federalists from Maytorena's camp.

Carranza was reinforced this afternoon by 200 men under Maj. Hurtado, who came north from Naco, and 100 were sent south from Agua Prieta this morning.

Agua Prieta has placed an embargo on potatoes being brought to this side because of a shortage. Naco, Ariz., is short of beans. El Tigre, another American mining camp, is getting short of food.

A movement has been started here to get more American troops for the protection of Douglas.

FIGHTING NEAR CITY OF TORREON

Carranza Troops Reported Pressing Villa Position; Juarez Enters Denial.

A strong column of Carrancistas, under Gen. Ilfonso Vasquez, is moving on Torreon. The column was met Tuesday afternoon by Villa forces at a point west of San Pedro and but a few miles from Torreon and a severe battle resulted. The outcome is not known.

Reports to the effect were brought here Wednesday by Americans who arrived from Torreon.

Villa will take a severe charge of the defense of Torreon, according to the Americans. The Carranza force numbers 6000 and about 5000 men were sent out from Torreon to meet them. The proximity of the Carrancistas to Torreon resulted in the hurried change of Villa's plans to move on Torreon.

Raiding parties, presumably Carrancistas, were seen near the railroad line north of Torreon Tuesday night. The line has already been cut north of the city. Juarez officials late Wednesday morning declared that the telephone line to Torreon was working.

They professed to have received no reports of fighting in the vicinity of the city, and declared that only a few detached bands have been operating in the San Pedro region but that they will soon be dispersed.

Guadalajara "Falls" Again.

Guadalajara, the west coast metropolis, against which strong columns have been sent by Gen. Villa, has been evacuated without a fight, according to advices received by Gen. Tomas Ornelas in Juarez and Villa agents on this side.

According to a message received by the Carranza consulate here Wednesday morning the city is still held by the Carranza forces. The commandant, Gen. Miguel Dieguez was in telegraphic communication with Laredo as late as Tuesday evening.

The message received by Gen. Ornelas simply states that the convention forces hold the city and that the Carrancistas have no mention is made regarding the direction they took or whether they are being pursued.

San Luis Potosi Captured.

Further reports regarding the alleged capture of San Luis Potosi by Gen. Pablo Gonzalez have been received by the Carranza consulate. The report declares that Gonzalez is in direct communication with Laredo and that he has announced the capture of the city after three days of fighting. Villa agents here declare there has been no fighting around San Luis Potosi.

Carranza reports state that Juanaya, in the state of Tamaulipas, near Victoria, has been captured after heavy fighting by the forces of Gen. Caballero.

Rice Denies Report.

Emphatic denial is made by the British ambassador, Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, of the report from Mexico City that credited Manuel Palafox, minister of fomento, as saying that Carranza troops were being moved to Veracruz to Tampico on British transports. The report was wired to the ambassador by H. C. Myles, British vice consul here.

Mr. Myles has received the following telegram from his chief: "There are no British transports at either Veracruz or Tampico."

Invitation to Gomez.

Manuel Nagore, judge of the criminal court of Mexico City, has received a telegram from an emissary from Zapata to invite Emilio Vasquez Gomez to go to Mexico City and attend the convention, according to advices received here.

The convention, which will choose a provisional president, meets on Jan. 1. Gomez has been reported as the choice of Zapata for the presidency.

THOMPSON DEFEATS BENTLEY

MURPHY BEAT TROY WILLIAMS At the Gem billiard parlor, playing for the three cushion championship, Tuesday night, Tommy Thompson, with a handicap of seven, defeated Bentley, 42 to 27, in the first game, and Dan Murphy, with a handicap of 10, defeated H. Williams, 40 to 21, in the second game. Tommy Thompson's play will be continued. Tom Kelly will meet J. Moore in the first game, and George Weston will meet J. Beardsley in the second game.

A pocket billiard tournament will also be held at the Gem parlors Wednesday night. This tournament will probably be held immediately after the three cushion tournament.

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United States Agent in Mexico Says Political Killings Are Frequent.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—While no interference is likely, administration officials here are much disappointed over the contents of a report from a United States agent in Mexico City, stating that from 100 to 150 political executions have been held in the capital within the past few days. Many of those executed, he said, were once prominent politicians.

The names of those executed were not given in the representative's report, nor did he state who had ordered the killings.

HOLMDAHL BOUND OVER ON RECRUITING CHARGE

E. L. Holmdahl, charged with recruiting men for service in a foreign country, was bound over to the action of the April grand jury Tuesday afternoon, following an all day hearing before United States Commissioner George B. Oliver. His bond was placed at \$1000, which he furnished.

Holmdahl is also out on bond of \$500 in a similar case, which will also be investigated by the grand jury.

Much of the hearing Tuesday was taken up in the deciphering of messages alleged to have been sent by Holmdahl to Carranza agents in Arizona. Salazar was referred to in one of the messages, which warned Gen. Salazar to meet them.

Anyone representing himself as an agent of Salazar.

MAYTORENA TROOPS' FIGHT CARRANZAS NEAR BORDER

Douglas, Ariz., Dec. 16.—Fighting between Maytorena troops and 250 Carranza troops, under Maj. Camou, near Chino, 20 miles south of Agua Prieta, is reported here. The Carranza troops were marching north from Chino, where fighting was reported Monday.

SHIP CLOTHING TO MEXICANS.

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 15.—A cargo of food and clothing was shipped from here Tuesday night for destitute Mexicans. Its destination is Monterey, Mexico, to be distributed to the troops under the supervision of United States consular general Hanna.

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